GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY
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SC/STS IN SELECTION COMMITTEE
BALIRAM

Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether SC/ST MP`s Convention during December 1999 while expressing serious concern and drawing attention of the Government towards the dismal picture of non-representation of SCs and STs in the higher rungs of the administration / bureaucratic set up, has sought inclusion one SC/ST member on all the `Selection Committees / Boards` which undertake searching, short-listing, recommending, empanelling, selecting and recruiting process of persons for the posts at the level of `Board of Directors` Managing Directors / Chairmen of Public Sector Enterprises, Statutory / Autonomous Organizations, Corporations and other senior posts / positions at the level of Joint Secretary to Central Government and above;

(b) if so, indicate structural / constitutional changes brought about in the existing instructions / systems regarding composition of the said Selection Boards / Committees for facilitating inclusion of SC / ST persons on them;

(c) the year-wise number of persons appointed to the above referred posts during last three years under his Ministry; and

(d) the SCs/STs among them and their percentage?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI RAJIV PRATAP RUDY)

(a) : In the SC/ST MPs Convention held during December,1999 the membersof Parliament had, inter-alia, recommended that there should be SC and ST members in the Recruitment Boards/Selection Comittees.

(b) : Instructions have been issued by the Department of Personnel & Training,Government of India to all the Ministries/Departments that they should endeavour to nominate to the maximum extent possible, Scheduled Caste/Tribe Officer on the Selection Boards, Departmental Promotion Committees constituted for various posts/services under them.

(c) & (d) Information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.